

## FROM REQUIREMENTS TO CAPABILITIES

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The Navy-Marine Corps Team is engaged in a focused, long-term transformation that will allow us to respond to a changing national security environment. This transformation is dedicated to greatly expanding the worldwide, sovereign options available to the President of the United States across the full spectrum of warfare, by exploiting one of our nation's asymmetric advantages—control of the sea.

To this end, naval transformation is centered upon Seabasing—the concepts and capabilities that exploit our command of the sea to project, protect and sustain integrated warfighting capabilities from the maritime domain.

# Introduction

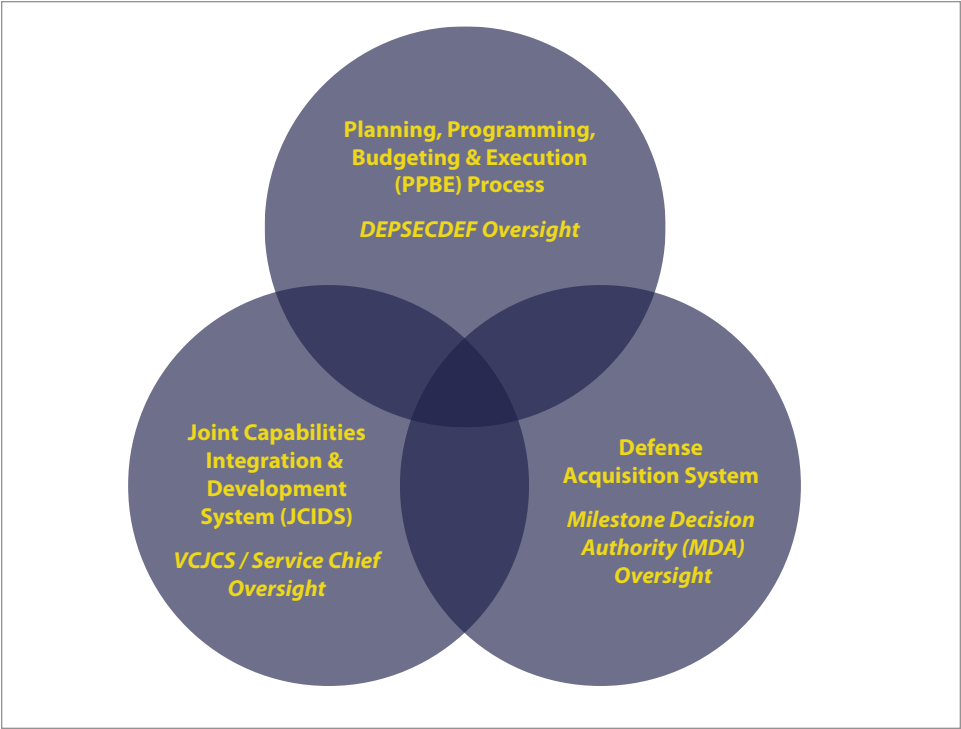
This section describes the revised Department of Defense (DoD) system for the development of new operational capabilities from Joint Concepts through identification of a requirement to system development and fielding. The section also identifies the key players in the process and the role each organization plays in process execution.

An acquisition program is a directed, funded effort that provides a new or improved capability in response to a validated need. The three major decision making support systems are shown in Figure 2-1: The Planning Programming Budgeting

and Execution System (PPBE), The Joint Capabilities Integration & Development System (JCIDS), and the Acquisition Management System.

While each major acquisition program has its own unique features, there are processes common to all acquisition programs. The JCIDS process is central to the identification of gaps in our warfighting capabilities, to the development and demonstration of alternative systems, and the production, fielding and sustainment of systems that close the capability gaps. It is shown in Figure 2-2.

Figure 2-1



The figure shows the importance of warfighting concepts as the driver in the development of required capabilities and the service role in the analysis of alternatives and in systems development. Accordingly, this section will review key Marine Corps warfighting concepts which are the foundation of critical emerging and enabling MAGTF capabilities. Also discussed are specific programs which will produce these capabilities as well as those that will modernize and sustain existing and proven capabilities.

Figure 2-2

